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Procedure - Examining Group 2126

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Tatsushi Inagaki, et al. : Date: April 8, 2005
Group Art Unit: 2126 : IBM Corporation
Examiner: P. Hoang : Intellectual Property Law
Serial No.: 09/490,582 : Dept. 917, Bldg. 006-1
Filed: January 25, 2000 : 3605 Highway 52 North
Title: METHOD AND DEVICE TO PROCESS : Rochester, MN 55901
MULTIDIMENSIONAL ARRAY
OBJECTS

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AMENDMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the final office action dated December 21, 2004 and
Advisory Action dated March 28, 2005. Please amend the above identified application as
follows.

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was based solely on matter recited in the independent claims from which they depended. Since claims 2, 9 and 16 no longer depend from rejected claims 1, 8 and 15, and therefore no longer incorporate the objectionable matter, the enablement rejection of these claims is likewise overcome.

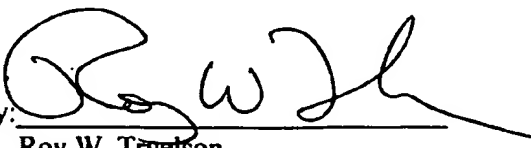
Dependent claims 3, 10, and 17 have been amended to restore them to their original form at filing, i.e., as dependent claims dependent on claims 2, 9 and 16, respectively. These amended claims are now patentable for the reasons stated above with respect to claims 2, 9 and 16.

Dependent claims 4-6, 11-13, and 18-20 are unamended. These claims depend from claims 2, 9 and 16, respectively, and in view of the amendments to the base claims from which they depend, are patentable for the reasons noted above.

In view of the foregoing, applicants submit that the claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all claims. In addition, the Examiner is encouraged to contact applicants' attorney by telephone if there are outstanding issues left to be resolved to place this case in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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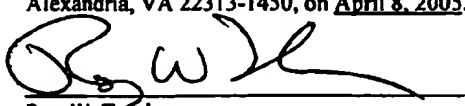
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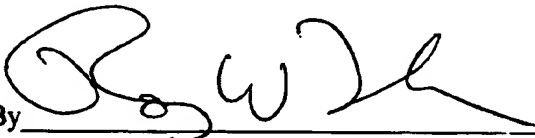
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